

EL PASO MAYOR CRUSHED TO DEATH BY FALLING WALL

One Fireman Instantly Killed and Two Seriously Injured While Working in Ruins of Burned Building.

GREAT CALISHER DRY GOODS STORE DESTROYED

Loss Estimated at Quarter of a Million Dollars; Burned Building a Veritable Fire Trap.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 14.—F. Robinson, mayor of El Paso, lost his life at 9 o'clock this morning while endeavoring to warn a number of firemen of imminent danger from a tottering wall.

The casualties followed the big Calisher fire, which broke out at 2 a. m. and completely gutted the largest department store in this section.

Conservative estimates of the loss in the Calisher fire at \$225,000, the J. Calisher dry goods company sustains a loss of \$150,000 and the Buckler estate, owners of the building, \$65,000.

INSOLENT PORTER HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Opportune Arrival of Police Save Colorado Springs Negro From Lynching at Hands of Infuriated Crowd.

Colorado Springs, Aug. 14.—As the result of innocence offered Mrs. Marie Peterson who lives at 1423 Ogden street, Denver, on a street car in Manitou, early tonight, William Johnson, a negro porter of Colorado Springs was nearly lynched.

The trouble occurred at the end of the car line. Johnson boarded the car and attempted to hold a double seat. Mrs. Peterson entered after the negro and sat down unintentionally in the seat beside him.

TOOK ANOTHER'S WIFE TO DANCE; SHOT DEAD

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 14.—At Douglasville, 280 miles west of here, "Bud" Barnett was shot and instantly killed at an early hour this morning while sitting in the room of Mrs. George Marryfield a married woman, with whom he had attended a dance.

GRISCOM GOES FROM TAFT TO ROOSEVELT

THOUGHT TO BE BEARER OF IMPORTANT MESSAGE

President Said to Be Anxious to Learn Exact Attitude of His Predecessor Toward Present Administration.

(By Morning Journal Special Labeled Wire)

Oyster Bay, Aug. 14.—Ex-President Roosevelt announced today that Lloyd C. Griscom, chairman of the New York republican county committee, will come to Sagamore Hill tomorrow for a conference.

It is believed here, however, that as a result of Mr. Griscom's visit, the exact relations between the president and the ex-president will be more clearly defined, even though no public announcement be made.

Colonel Roosevelt announced today that he had decided on a third long trip. Starting some time in March he will go from coast to coast on a trip that will occupy about one month.

FUGITIVE RUSTLER SLAIN BY POSSE

Attempt to Resist Command for Surrender Results in Death of Alleged Horse Thief.

Klamath Falls, Ore., Aug. 14.—A posse in pursuit of two men accused of stealing horses and mules came upon them at Dairy yesterday and killed one named Duncan. The other named Kuhl, made his escape.

The Initiative, the Referendum and the Recall

By Edward A. Mann

Former Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New Mexico.

The opponents of the republican party in New Mexico have united in an effort to disrupt that organization by appealing to something that, they think, may divert the public mind from the moment from the record of the democratic party and veil the sinister face of the same.

In this attempt they have also fused with those disgruntled would-be politicians, who have hitherto claimed allegiance to the republican party.

An proof of this unholy alliance read the manifesto of the Hanna-Massie republicans of Santa Fe county, the democratic central committee manifesto and the Appeal to Reason, issued by the socialists and you will find them all the same.

It is a well planned attempt to carry the new state and the constitutional convention against the republican party in the hope that the people will be fooled by the loud noise and hoodwinked into a belief in the honesty of purpose of these political shysters, whose only interest in the people is to catch their votes.

Behind it all is the same old gang who bankrupted the territory in the democratic days and who have put in years trying to make the people forget it, who have never paused at the rape of the ballot box, or any unfair means to gain their selfish ends.

Even things that are really good in appearance should be examined into before tasting, for the question put by the great Master, "Do men rather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles?" applies with equal force at this time as in days of old, and it is still true that "A corrupt tree beareth forth corrupt fruit."

The initiative, the referendum and the recall, that is, that a certain per cent of the voters may initiate or petition for a certain law, the referendum, that the petition of a certain per cent of the voters may cause an election to be held to submit a proposed law to the people, or to repeal a law already in existence.

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It is well known that the great body of laws are not made by the legislature, but by judicial decisions. Statutes cannot be passed to fit all cases, but resort must be had to that great body of the law known as the common law, and its half sister, the principles of equity.

It is not the intention of the initiative and referendum to be carried out to its logical conclusion.

The great men of the past have been those who, regardless of public clamor, have had the courage to stand firm for the right as God gave them to see it.

Are we to have officers in New Mexico who are to be swayed by every change in the breeze of public sentiment in order to keep them from being recalled? God forbid.

The people who are clamoring for this innovation talk about bad laws, and give, perhaps, a few examples. They do not consider that where occasionally a bad law passes, hundreds of good wholesome ones are enacted.

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CRUEL MURDER OF YOUNG GIRL

SLAIN BY BURGLAR ON EVE OF WEDDING DAY

Found Dead in Bed With Hands Bound and Covered With Chloroform Soaked Pillows and Blankets.

(By Morning Journal Special Labeled Wire)

Allen, Kan., Aug. 14.—Miss Bertha Benigus aged 20, daughter of a merchant of this place and an employee in the local telephone exchange, was found dead in her room at the home of her parents this morning.

All of the jewelry and other valuables belonging to the family had been hidden and none have been missed.

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THOUSANDS IN PERIL IN FIRE OF WHITE

REMARKABLE ESCAPE FROM DEATH OF THROGS PENNED IN FIERY ENCLOSURES; TWO LOSE LIVES; THIRTY HURT.

PROPERTY LOSS ESTIMATED AT HUNDRED MILLION

(By Morning Journal Special Labeled Wire)

Brussels, Aug. 14.—Fire swept the great Belgian exposition tonight. The flames were driven by a high wind and soon destroyed the Belgian, English and French sections. It is believed the whole exposition will be destroyed. Two are dead and thirty injured.

The White City of the world's fair, as the Belgians have called their 1910 exposition, is tonight a mass of flames and smoldering ruins.

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BOILER BLOWS UP; FOUR MEN ARE KILLED

FRIGHTFUL ACCIDENT ABOARD SHIP AT SEA

Ill Fated Vessel Deserted by Crew, Floats Aimlessly Down Coast Bearing Bodies of Dead Mariners.

(By Morning Journal Special Labeled Wire)

Point Arena, Cal., Aug. 14.—Four men were killed late last night when the boiler of the steam schooner Phoenix blew up at sea about ten miles north of the Point Arena light house.

The Phoenix, loaded with bark from Needle Rock for San Francisco, was making her way slowly southwest when a black wind in a choppy sea.

With her bow well out of water and careening to starboard, the Phoenix was settling. Pump crews were stationed and some of the sailors were sent into the engine and boiler rooms.

When the explosion came the mate and the engineer were hurled to the floor toward the fire boxes, and Chief Officer Louis Larson was torn from his post on the bridge and his body sent hurtling through the air thirty feet to the deck below.

BURIED ALIVE IN RUDE GRAVE

FRIGHTFUL FATE OF CALIFORNIA WOMAN

Police Trail Brother-in-Law of Victim; Theft of Six Thousand Dollars Motive of Fiendish Deed.

(By Morning Journal Special Labeled Wire)

Lancaster, Cal., Aug. 14.—In a shallow grave sunk in the sand in her front yard, a pet dog uncovered today the body of Mrs. Frieda Schmitt.

An examination by an autopsy surgeon disclosed the presence of sand in the lungs and bronchial tubes, drawn there by the victim's dying spasms.

Mrs. Schmitt's son found his mother's body half uncovered and notified by the dog, when he returned from her ranch four miles east to receive a remittance of \$5,000 from relatives in San Francisco.

The investigations of officers from the sheriff's office in Los Angeles, who arrived here this afternoon, tend to show that the woman was murdered as she drove into her yard, and that she was thrown into the shallow hole while yet alive.

RATON MINER SHOT DEAD IN SALOON ROW

MURDERERS BELIEVED TO BE WHITE SLAVERS

Pursuit of Montenegrin Girl Who Was to Wed Victim Brought Murderer and Accomplice From Chicago.

(By Morning Journal Special Labeled Wire)

Raton, N. M., Aug. 14.—Tom Tomick, a miner was shot and killed by an unknown man in a saloon here today while an accomplice of the murderer held his arms.

The murderer and his companion are thought by the local police to be "white slave traders" into whose clutches Petra Trudovich a Montenegrin girl who was to have married Tomick fell while passing through Chicago.

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FINANCIAL DISASTER PURSUES PROMOTERS OF AVIATION MEETS

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Paris, Sunday, Aug. 13.—The failure of most of the aviation meetings this summer has proved a great disappointment to promoters. After the tremendous success of the great meeting at Rheims last year, hundreds of meetings were organized in every country in Europe and even in Egypt.

Beginning with the winter months along the Riviera these meetings have continued week after week in almost every large city in France. In almost every case the results for the promoters have been disastrous.

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MINE WORKERS ROW BECOMES ACUTE

President of Illinois Branch of Union Charges International Officers With Attempt to Disrupt His Forces.

(By Morning Journal Special Labeled Wire)

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 14.—John E. Walker, president of the Illinois Miners, today at a caucus of the Illinois delegates charged that a number of delegates had been offered international offices if they would strike their position in regard to the strike in Illinois.

Walker did not name the men, whom he said had been approached, nor did he say who made the offer.